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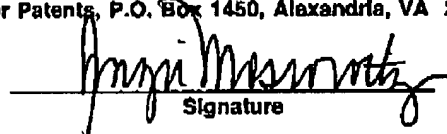
For: AXIALLY SECURING GEARWHEELS IN CROWN
GEAR ANGLE DRIVES ON ONE SIDE

Attorney Docket No: GKNG 1161 PUS

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Sir:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the art listed and identified on the attached PTO form is being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of each of the listed references is included herewith.

It is Applicants' opinion that the claims presently on file patentably distinguish the present invention from each of these references. The above references are being cited only in the interests of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or contain matter which anticipates the invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

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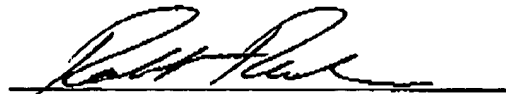
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With regard to the non-patent reference, it is submitted for reference purposes only and can be summarized as follows. In paragraph "24.1.3 Kronenräder (Stirnplanräder)" of page 22 of said document "Maschinenelemente" it is referred to the manufacturing process of crown gears. There, it is said that crown gears are shaped by the generating method wherein the generating cutter has an identical number of teeth as the pinion, or a number of teeth exceeding the number of teeth of the pinion. It is further said that, cinematically, a crown gear assembly can be seen as a bevel gear assembly wherein a profile correction has been carried out such that a cylindrical pinion and a crown gear are formed. The axis of rotation of the crown gear and the pinion can intersect one another, or be offset.

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